

**BULK PURCHASE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
COMMODITY ITEMS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
INFORMATION RESOURCES**

CHAPTER 291

S.B. No. 261

AN ACT

**relating to the bulk purchase of information technology commodity items by the
Department of Information Resources.**

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 2157.068, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e-3) to read as follows:

(e-3) The procedural requirements of Subsection (e-1) and the limitation prescribed by Subsection (e-2) do not apply to a department contract for the bulk purchase of commodity items intended for use by more than one state agency.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed the Senate on April 19, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House on May 24, 2017: Yeas 145, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Approved May 29, 2017.

Effective May 29, 2017.

**ISSUANCE OF A WRIT OF ATTACHMENT FOR CERTAIN
WITNESSES**

CHAPTER 292

S.B. No. 291

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of a writ of attachment for certain witnesses.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Article 2.212 to read as follows:

Art. 2.212. WRIT OF ATTACHMENT REPORTING. *Not later than the 30th day after the date a writ of attachment is issued in a district court, statutory county court, or county court, the clerk of the court shall report to the Texas Judicial Council:*

- (1) the date the attachment was issued;*
- (2) whether the attachment was issued in connection with a grand jury investigation, criminal trial, or other criminal proceeding;*
- (3) the names of the person requesting and the judge issuing the attachment; and*
- (4) the statutory authority under which the attachment was issued.*

SECTION 2. Article 24.011, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b-1) If the defendant or the attorney representing the state requests the issuance of an attachment under this article, other than an attachment for a witness described by Subsection (c), the request must include the applicable affidavit described by Article 24.12.